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or the Thunderbirds stands at attention as the pilot releases smoke from the engine of his jet Monday. The smoke show it and was done in unison with the other jets. The Thunderbirds were in town to perform a demonstration at the Air Force ednesday.

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f the 1st Space Control Squadron lewly renovated space Wednesday is ribbon-cutting ceremony. It days were filled with anticipation race center would turn out. It denotes that an improvement outdated and dilapidated center, theyenne Mountain operation cen-460,000 project brought the center ensitive compartment information and involved a number of quality nts such as operational configura-

By simply looking up, all center personnel can now view the two projector screens displaying worldwide status from their workstations. In the old center, the screens were located on opposite walls making simultaneous status monitoring impossible.

Another improvement is that each position now has a 19-inch flat screen monitor for the primary system crews use to perform their jobs. The new monitors will replace the oversized display units currently in use.

Crew members now have the space necessary to do the job without having to store paperwork and books on the floor in order to get to their computer. This increased space enables each position to have a number of efficient items such as task lamps.

Another renovation benefit is a briefing room

system. This will ensure that if the I increase in classification levels, the tinue uninterrupted. However, peop traveled to the mountain will still be about the space mission and its role wing and CMOC.

The renovated center replicate ter, so training and evaluation scena real-world operations. The training train the crews and prepare them to in an environment identical to wher the mission. Another advantage to be open for business is that evaluations administered in an operational atmost impacting the mission.

Space control center crews no

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ficer, and oine of the "twin 1 Antonio Spurs. Perhaps juotes of the determined, A golfer Nancy Lopez, the of hockey great Wayne ulness of baseball legend Cal star of your own choosing. er the summer season, two in other sports come to mind. ary Player had one line that's management texts as it is in 'The harder you work, the Mr. Player hit it squarely, king about being the best being the best at whatever nin to comm to civil engineer he exuded confidence as he continually reminded the press—and his team—"If you're not going all the way, then don't go at all." Behind his field leadership, passing, and Fu Manchu mustache, the Jets did indeed "go all the way," handing the much-favored Baltimore Colts (and a number of bookies) a 16-7 defeat in the process.

The "games" and teams in which we're members can easily be likened to sports, as they share a common mission ... the goal of winning ... and the uselessness of being in second place. With NBA and NHL finals ongoing, and baseball heating up, please ensure we contribute to our team efforts by working hard to go all the way. Thanks.

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Do you volunteer time to a professional organization such as the Top 3, Company Grade Officers Council, Enlisted Professional Development, or are you active in your squadron?

If you're interested in volunteering and not sure where to go, give me a call at 556-2105, and we can discuss what is available and



how to get involved.

It's a great feeling to be a volunteer and sometimes its just plain fun. Be safe and see you around the wing.



Unit: 4th Space Surveillance Squadron Location: Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. Mission: The 4th SPSS operates and maint space surveillance, communications, and da tems that supports U.S. Space Command an manders during contingency operations.

The unit conducts a number of mobile portable operations that provide critical con between the President and Secretary of Defe Space Command, 14th Air Force and squad ments.

The 4th SPSS supports warfighters by dedicated inter- and intra-theater links for c surveillance data and communications. The and maintains mobile space surveillance, cc and data relay systems that support U.S. Spand theater commanders.

The low altitude space surveillance activated by Air Force Space Command in (The unit was named the 4th Surveillance Squar later, it was redesignated as the 4th Spasurveillance Squadron. During this time, the ued to perform a research and development mission to train newly assigned low altitude lance operators until April 1993. The squad assigned to the 73rd Space Group and in April merged with the 21st Space Wing. In April moved operations from its home at Lacklanto Holloman AFB, N.M., its present location

News Briefs

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uists are needed to rug operations in uties will include rds, and working with federal law enforcement analysts. Any Air Force specialty, E-6 and below, may apply.

For more information call Master Sgt. Judy Siano, at DSN 665-3815, or e-mail *afpc.dpapp@randolph.af.mil*.

INCOME TAX ERROR

Due to a computer software error with TAXWISE, the IRS-supplied application used by the volunteer

income tax assistance program at Peterson AFB, you may have paid too much Colorado Income Tax.

The problem appears to affect married couples that filed a joint tax return where one spouse is a part-year resident or non-resident of Colorado and that spouse had taxable income earned in the state of Colorado in 2001.

If you feel your Colorado State

tax liability might be to of an error, please contater at 556-5213, for an a review your Colorado to MILLER MOTH MIC

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als took great care to nity of respondents. resulted in the surthest response rate to an 65 percent of the ating, almost double of either the 1997 or

year's survey results all areas, compared . Participants rated rongly disagree" to The highest-rated ormance outcomes. percent of the peoe getting the mission g it well. ed second highest rcent, which indiheir jobs motivating, done.

Resources and unit recognition are areas where the Air Force has historically not fared well; however, there is an upward trend in this the results of this survey compared with previous surveys.

While resources were rated low, when asked the question, "Do I have enough time," the rating is up from prior surveys, which is an indication work processes are improving. In the recognition area, 72 percent of respondents agreed they were being recognized -- officially or unofficially -- for exceptional performance by their chain of command.

In the unit leadership section, 78 percent of respondents agreed leaders in their chain of command influenced the direction, people and culture which officials say shows trust in their commanders.

Supervision is typically evaluated two ways: managing resources and taking care of people. Most respondents felt their supervisors looked out for their best interests. In fact, 82 percent agreed their supervisors were proficient in the areas of skills planning, organizing, leading and providing feedback.

In the general satisfaction section area, 75 percent of respondents agree they receive a sense of accomplishment and personal fulfillment from the work they do and from the environment that surrounds them.

Survey responses showed little difference between home station or deployed units in key measures such as unit performance perceptions, general



satisfaction and characteristics which motivate people to go above and beyond the job without official rewards and recognition.

Officials also said there was little difference in these measures between deployed areas of responsibility.

The historical section asked respondents who were assigned to the same unit when the 1999 survey results were released if their leaders used 1999 survey results in a positive way.

Forty-one percent agreed the results were used in a positive way; however, 43 percent did not know and 16 percent said results were not used positively.

To ensure accurate analysis of the survey data, the Air Force Manpower

and Innovation Agence worked with experts in aerospace leaders offi ment for management Force Academy for stand for reliable questions.

Further analysis ratings in all outcome which leaders provide their people. Howeve back alone does not c results, said officials.

They said data it ers who listened and ideas and suggestions tended to have higher units, more satisfied purity who are willing to go beyond the job without and recognition.

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The store pages are the most visited areas of www.commissaries.com and can be found under the locations button on the front page.

"The new pages are more professional looking," said Russell. Web information technology specialist Janice Pavlock has been working on the pages since fall 2001, "but it's really been a Web team effort," says Russell.

"Much of the store information is the same, but it definitely allows the stores to be more creative with their sites. They can use them to interest customers in coming back regularly to see what's new at their local commissary," according to Pavlock.

Visitors to Camp Lejeune's Web pages will find, for example, that they can get the "Jarhead Special" or the "Grunt's Choice" for lunch in the store deli, or that there is a store case lot sale coming up in a few weeks. They can even build a shopping list from sale items combined with items they buy every day, and the items are generally in the approximate order of their location in the store.

"People write to us and express how much faster their trip is when they have their shopping list in hand," says Russell.

The community information section allows the commissary to tie in more closely with the local military community, according to Rick Brink, Web program manager. "Commissaries.com has become very popular with our customers," says Brink. "It continues to evolve and improve and it increases our ability to make service members more aware of their commissary benefit."

Other features at the site include the latest DeCA customer news, and information on the Scholarships for Military Children program.

The links page has links



This is what the Peterson online commissa like when you log onto www.commissaries.

to commissary-related Web sites with sales information, newsletters and recipes. Customers can even enter a variety of shopping sprees offered by commercial vendors and vendors can find out how to do business with DeCA.

The Defense Commissary Agency operates a worldwide chain of 281 commissaries providing groceries to military personnel, retirees and their families.

Commissary patrons purchase items at cost plus a 5-percent surcharge, which covers costs of building new com-

missaries and existing ones an average of percent on th compared to prices – savii than \$2,400 a family of fou

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DALLAS -- The Army and Air Force Ex along with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety (Kolcraft Enterprises, Inc., is voluntarily assisti about 17,000 toy steering wheel attachments so

The steering wheel can break away from the small plastic turn signal and horn pieces to a choking hazard to young children.

Kolcraft has not received any reports of i these steering wheels. This product is being rethe possibility of injury.

The toy steering wheel was sold on Kolcı Cherokee stroller model No. 55120. The mode found on a sticker located on one of the rear le "Jeep" is written with yellow, raised lettering c steering wheel base.

These toys and strollers were manufactur through February 2001. The manufacture date the model number on the rear leg sticker. Strol

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offering additional prize-winning opportunities worth thousands of dollars."

Beginning June 1, people can see firsthand how ATWIND is played by registering the free introductory game piece # 9999-0033-333 at the ATWIND web site www.atwind.com or calling ATWIND's toll-free number, 1-888-597-9960.

Once registered, participants can log their travel miles on the Web or by using the toll-free number.

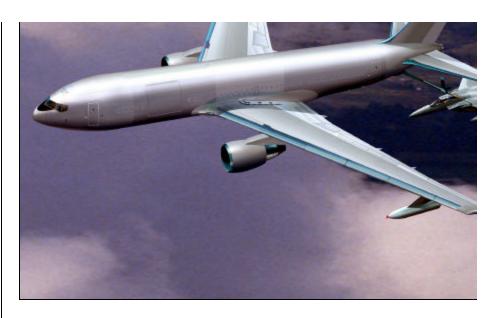
"It's really simple to play. Type in a number, press 'fly' and you can win instantly," said Airman 1st Class Lyndsay Correa, one of last year's ATWIND grand prize winners who won a sport utility vehicle.

A second feature to ATWIND is the "base race."

All AFSPC bases compete against each other to get the most ATWIND participation. The first-place winner will receive \$25,000 to spend on any quality-of-life projects. Each base will automatically get \$5,000 dollars if they increase their participation 5 percent from last year.

AMC services started the program four years ago to increase active-duty, Guard, Reserve and Department of Defense civilian personnel's awareness of summer and year-round programs on base. This is the second year for AFSPC to participate.

"We realized that our folks were working 8 to 5 and leaving the base. We felt that if we created awareness of what was there, that they



Lease option

An artist's rendering of the Boeing 767 tanker/transport shows it refuelin Strike Eagle. The Air Force began negotiations with Boeing on April 2 to leasing 100 of the tankers is a viable short-term alternative to purchasir tankers. The Air Force needs new tankers to replace its more than 40-ye 135E Stratotankers.





Photo by 2nd Lt. Suzy Kohout

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onstruction Company is finishing up the final stages of orary Lodging Facilities on Mitchell Street. The facilities to be complete today.

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■ \$5 per hour discount on aircraft N1450U, at the Aero Club.

Monday

■ Mothers on the Move, 9:30-10:30 a.m., at the Family Advocacy Center.

Tuesday

- Session VII adult learn-to-swim classes; classes are noon-12:50 p.m., at the aquatics center.
- Stepping Together, 2:30-4 p.m., at the Library.

Wednesday

■ Family style all you can eat buffet

Friday

■ UNISERV Thrift S ing, 1-2:30 p.m., at th Center.

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- Education Center
- Library 556-7462
- Community Cente
- Aquatics Center 5
- Fitness Center 55
- Officers' Club 556
- Enlisted Club 556-
- Youth Center 556
- Family Support Ce
- Chapel 556-4442

Community Notes

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For more information call, 556-5239. **DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY -**

DeCA is accepting applications for the student temporary employment program.

For more information, call the Peterson Air Force Base Commissary at 556-7765 or 556-7770.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP **PROGRAM -** Nominations and essays for scholarships available through the enlisted and officers' clubs must be submitted by July 15.

For details, call club managers at 556-4194 or 556-4181.

U-FIX-IT STORE - The Self Help Center in Bldg. 1322 is now open Mondays through Saturdays, 7:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., for maintenance assistance. **OUTDOOR REC** - Rafting trip to

Parkdale and Royal Gorge are Saturday and Sunday. Reservations, 556-4867.

YOUTH CAMPS - The Youth Center has information available about camps in archery, baseball, basketball, golf, NFL, soccer or tennis.

Hiring baseball coaches for children ages 3-12.

Call Karen or Tina at 556-7220 for more information.

THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN - The Thrift Savings Plan is a tax-deferred savings plan. Service members may contribute from 1 to 7 percent of base pay and up to 100 parcent of any incentive enecial Customer service and records hours are 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. for military identification cards. DEERS enrollment and verification.

Active duty members can also view their personnel records by using the virtual MPF.

Log on to

www.afpc.randolph.af.mil and click on VMPF and follow the log-on procedures.

FAMILY MEMBER ID CARDS:

Family members' ID cards are renewed only if they are about to expire or lost, and not for sponsors' change of grade. They can only be reissued 20 days prior to expiration.

The military member must be present to sign the ID card application unless the family member has a power of attorney.

Community Center

SOUTH FORK TRIP - Sign up by June 10. Call 556-1733 for more information.

CRUISE TRIPS - Leisure Travel has cruise discounts to western Caribbean and to Baja, Mexico. Call 556-6447 for more details.

Education Center

TUITION ASSISTANCE - Beginning

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y recreational event lay, with a shotgun : Keystone's PGA : is an entrance fee I members and \$60 lian equivalent, een fees, golf cart all 800-464-3494 for summer off and do it at a great rate," said Bonnie Runge, AFSPC marketing and commercial sponsorship chief.

Rocky Mountain Blue, a partnership with Air Force Space Command, the Air Force Academy and Keystone Resorts, provides year-round discount recreation for servicemembers and government employees.

For reservations or more information on lodging, visit the Rocky Mountain Blue Web site at www.rock-ymountainblue.com or call 333-3384. Out-of-state customers can call toll free, 866-RMT-BLUE (768-2583).



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he second leading cause of death in the mil-Despite relatively high numbers, there are tions and myths about suicide. Although nmit suicide without exhibiting any of the g signs, many suicides can be prevented if of the warning signs, risk factors, and

the Life Skills Support Center, is to dge and awareness to all active duty, civil-Reserve members in accordance with Air 144-154. A mandatory annual suicide ntion briefing is offered annually for the x. Commanders must ensure their members

p problems, substance abuse, legal problal problems, a loss of a close friend or relane in mental health are all risk factors assode. Dealing with these problems early is many to avoid risk for emotional problems and eople lack appropriate coping skills and many are in a state of intolerable stress. If a appropriate coping skills, they may be at loose suicide as an option.

there are warning signs present that suggest iencing some emotional difficulty in his or ng sign does not necessarily mean that a o commit suicide, but the more warning e higher your level of concern should be. ese warning signs include sudden changes austion, hopelessness, depression and isolatrs. If you notice these signs in a co-worker be afraid to inquire about concerns. Asking



Photo by Staff Sgt. Josh Clendenen

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ns, AFSPC/CE, takes one for a ride in the opening game of intramural gue softball Wednesday. AFSPC/CE squared off against 21 LSS in the FSPC/CE went on to win the game by a score of 12-6. Recreation are Mondays and Wednesdays, competition league games are Thursdays and co-ed league games are Thursdays. All games are ween 5 and 9 p.m. For more information about intramural softball, call iter at 556-1515.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the I **Softball tourney -** A one-pitch softball to Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station is from June 3.

Tennis tourney - A singles tennis tourna (times to be determined) There is a \$2 entry for information call 556-1515.

Intramural soccer - Intramural Soccer b Game are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.r For information about these and other fits events, call the center at 556-1515 or 556-447:

Volleyball Tourname

The Asian Pacific American
Heritage Committee will sponsor a volleyball tournament from 11 a.m. to 4:30
p.m. Wednesday at the fitness center.

The tournament is limited to the first eight teams that sign up. A trophy and t-shirts will be presented to the winning team and runner up.

For more information or to register pleas Sgt. Maria Theresa Ibanez at 556-1040 or e maria.lbanez@peterson.af.mil.